

Police nab Edo doctor as pregnant woman dies after operation

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A file picture of police officers in a patrol van.

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The Edo State Police Command has arrested a medical doctor, Festus Ogheghele of Dickson Medical Centre, Uromi, following the death of a 36-year-old pregnant woman, Susan Omoye-Okporan, after a caesarean section.

Confirming the arrest on Saturday, the command's spokesman, Moses Yamu, said detectives had launched an investigation into the circumstances surrounding the incident.

“The command's detectives are investigating the matter,” Yamu told *Saturday PUNCH* in a telephone conversation.

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Omoye-Okporan was said to have developed complications after the surgery on August 2, 2025, and died shortly after, although her baby survived.

Findings by *Saturday PUNCH* showed that the Homicide Section of the State Criminal Investigation Department in Benin had taken over the case from Uromi Police.

It was further learnt that an autopsy had been conducted, while the report was awaiting interpretation by police medical experts to determine the next line of action.